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SUBJECT: Draft Terms of Reference for NSC Estimate of World Situation

1. This is a highly preliminary and tentative draft. We tried to get away from the rigid area-by-area approach of NSC 114 in the direction of a problem-by-problem analysis but inevitably had to keep much of the former.

2. Is this too long? Would we prefer something briefer?

3. Is the outline style what we want, or do we want more explanatory material interwoven?

4. We tried to add a section of Conclusions to tie together all the threads and arrive at the desired overall generalizations. This seemed to be a serious deficiency of NSC 114.

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